

The table below encompasses NASUCA's proposal that companies under the same ownership within a state would be combined for purposes of the 50,000 access line threshold and NASUCA's related proposal that rural carriers under the same ownership as non-rural carriers would be treated as non-rural.¹ The determination of "same ownership" is based on the source material; there are likely other co-ownership situations that have been missed.

Sources: NECA USF Study Area Detail for All Exchange Carriers (Year End 12/2003);
USAC Appendix HC01 (Fourth Quarter 2004);
2004 Universal Service Monitoring Report; file "usf03r02.zip" at
http://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common_Carrier/Reports/FCC-State_Link/Monitor/index3.html

| State | Rural carriers with 50,000 or more access lines (access lines in parentheses) | | Rural carriers with fewer than 50,000 access lines | Non-rural carriers |
|----------|--|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| Alabama | 250298 | Madison River/Gulf Tel Co-AL (57K) | 24 | CenturyTel ² BellSouth |
| Arizona | 452172 454426 454449 | <i>Citizens:</i> Frontier-Rural (102K) Frontier-Wh Mt (42K) Navajo-AZ-Frontier (22K) <i>Total Citizens</i> (166K) | 13 | Qwest |
| Arkansas | 401691 401142 401143 401144 401705 401711 401720 401727 | <i>ALLTEL:</i> AR (108K) <i>CenturyTel:</i> NW AR Russellville (113K) NW AR Siloam (22K) Central AR (83K) Arkansas (19K) Mtn Home (22K) Redfield (2K) South Arkansas (1K) <i>Total CenturyTel</i> (262K) | 19 | BellSouth |

¹ Totals may not match due to rounding.

² Two study areas.

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|----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| California | 542308 543402 544342 | <i>Citizens:</i> CA (132K) Golden State (16K) Tuolumne (7K) <i>Total Citizens (155K)</i> | 14 | Pacific Bell SureWest Tel Verizon ³ |
| Colorado | 462208 462185 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> Colorado (11K) Eagle (85K) <i>Total CenturyTel (96K)</i> | 24 | Qwest |
| Connecticut | | | 1 | SBC |
| Delaware | | | 0 | Verizon |
| District of Columbia | | | 0 | Verizon |
| Florida | 210336 210291 210329 210339 210341 | <i>ALLTEL:</i> Florida (95K) <i>FairPoint:</i> GTC (5K) GTC (11K) GTC (37K) <i>Total FairPoint (53K)</i> <i>Sprint (2,063K)</i> | 5 | BellSouth Verizon |
| Georgia | 220357 223036 223037 220386 220364 220395 | <i>ALLTEL:</i> ALLTEL GA Inc. (72K) GA ALLTEL (97K) ALLTEL GA Communications (334K) Standard Tel (82K) GA Tel Corp (8K) Accucomm (5K) <i>Total ALLTEL (598K)</i> | 29 | BellSouth |
| Idaho | 472416 | <i>Verizon (132K)</i> | 17 | Qwest ⁴ |

³ Current rural study areas would become non-rural when combined with Verizon's non-rural study area.

⁴ Current rural study area would become non-rural when combined with Qwest's non-rural study area.

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|----------|--|--|--|--|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| Illinois | 341011 341038 341055 341061 341067 341073 341079 341183 340998 341057 341037 | <i>Citizens:</i> Lakeside (1K) Frontier of IL (5K) Midland (5K) Mt Pulaski (2K) Orion (2K) Prairie (1K) Schuyler (3K) Citizens Tel Co (106K) Depue (1K) <i>Total Citizens</i> (126K) Gallatin River Communications (74K) IL Consolidated Tel (80K) | 42 | SBC Verizon ⁵ |
| Indiana | 320832 | <i>Sprint</i> (271K) | 37 | SBC Verizon ⁶ |
| Iowa | 351127 351167 351170 351178 | <i>Citizens</i> Frontier of IA (57K) <i>ITS:</i> North (117K) Systems (76K) IA Telecom (81K) <i>Total ITS</i> (274K) | 148 | Qwest |
| Kansas | 411317 411842 411957 | <i>Sprint:</i> United of Eastern Kansas (58K) UTC of KS (69K) UTC-MO (6K) <i>Total Sprint</i> (133K) | 35 | SBC |
| Kentucky | | | 14 | ALLTEL ⁷ BellSouth Cincinnati Bell |

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⁷ Current rural study areas would become non-rural when combined with ALLTEL's non-rural study area.

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|---------------|--|---|--|-----------------------------|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| Louisiana | 270423 270424 270427 270431 270434 270436 270439 270440 270442 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> Central LA (20K) SE LA (14K) Chatham (2K) NW LA (10K) Evangeline (37K) N LA (8K) Ringgold (2K) E LA (3K) SW LA (6K) <i>Total CenturyTel (102K)</i> | 10 | BellSouth |
| Maine | 100015 100004 100025 103313 | <i>FairPoint:</i> Community Service (12K) China (4K) Standish (22K) Northland (26K) <i>Total FairPoint (64K)</i> | 15 | Verizon |
| Maryland | | | 1 | Verizon |
| Massachusetts | | | 2 | Verizon |
| Michigan | 310702 310671 310689 310705 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> Century of MI (60K) Midwest (29K) CenturyTel Upper MI (13K) Northern MI (3K) <i>Total CenturyTel (105K)</i> | 32 | SBC Verizon ⁸ |
| Minnesota | 361123 367123 361367 361456 | <i>Citizens:</i> Citizens Tel Co of MN (131K) Citizens Tel. (4K) Frontier Communications of MN (129K) <i>Total Citizens (264K)</i> <i>Sprint:</i> UTC of MN (168K) | 83 | Qwest |

⁸ Current rural study area would become non-rural when combined with Verizon's non-rural study area.

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|----------------|---|--|--|---|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| Mississippi | | | 18 | BellSouth |
| Missouri | 421885 | <i>ALLTEL</i> : MO (70K) | 36 | CenturyTel ⁹ SBC |
| | 421957 | <i>Sprint</i> : UTC of MO (240K) | | |
| Montana | 482249 | <i>CenturyTel</i> : MT (64K) | 16 | Qwest |
| Nebraska | 371128 | <i>Citizens</i> : Frontier NE (53K) | 37 | Qwest ALLTEL |
| Nevada | | | 12 | Centel SBC |
| New Hampshire | | | 9 | Verizon |
| New Jersey | 160138 | <i>Sprint</i> : United Tel NJ (222K) | 1 | Verizon |
| New Mexico | 491164 | <i>Valor</i> : #1 (45K) | 13 | Qwest |
| | 491193 | #2 (49K) <i>Total Valor</i> (94K) | | |
| New York | 150106 | <i>ALLTEL</i> : Fulton (48K) | 31 | Citizens ¹⁰ Verizon |
| | 150109 | Jamestown (48K) | | |
| | 150113 | Red Jacket (3K) <i>Total ALLTEL</i> (99K) | | |
| North Carolina | 230476 | <i>ALLTEL</i> : Carolina N (233K) | 18 | BellSouth North State Verizon ¹¹ |
| | 230474 | Concord Tel Co (117K) | | |
| | 230470 | <i>Sprint</i> : Carolina T& T (1,139K) | | |
| | 230471 | Central of NC (262K) <i>Total Sprint</i> (1,401K) | | |

⁹ Current rural study areas would become non-rural when combined with CenturyTel's non-rural study areas.

¹⁰ Current rural study areas would become non-rural when combined with Frontier's non-rural study area.

¹¹ Two study areas.

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|--------------|---|--|--|--|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| North Dakota | | | 22 | Qwest |
| Ohio | 300630 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> OH (82K) | 35 | ALLTEL ¹² Cincinnati Bell SBC Verizon |
| | 300661 | <i>Sprint:</i> UTC of OH (588K) | | |
| Oklahoma | 432018 | Pioneer Tel Co-op (54K) | 37 | SBC |
| | 431165 | <i>Valor:</i> OK (115K) | | |
| Oregon | 532361 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> Eastern OR (75K) | 28 | Qwest Verizon |
| | 532400 | <i>Sprint:</i> UTC of the NW - OR (72K) | | |
| Pennsylvania | 170176 | <i>ALLTEL:</i> PA (235K) | 25 | Verizon ¹³ |
| | 170161 | Commonwealth Tel (339K) | | |
| | 170151 | <i>D&E:</i> Buffalo Valley (23K) | | |
| | 170162 | Conestoga (61K) | | |
| | 170165 | Denver & Ephrata (61K) | | |
| | | <i>Total D&E (145K)</i> | | |
| | 170193 | North Pittsburgh Telephone (77K) | | |
| | 170209 | <i>Sprint:</i> UTC of PA (385K) | | |
| Rhode Island | | | 0 | Verizon |

¹² Current Western Reserve rural study area would become non-rural when combined with ALLTEL's non-rural study area.

¹³ Current rural study areas would become non-rural when combined with Verizon's other study area.

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|----------------|---|--|--|------------------------------------|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| South Carolina | 240517 | <i>ALLTEL</i> : SC (60K) | 12 | BellSouth Verizon ¹⁴ |
| | 240520 | Farmers Telephone (60K) | | |
| | 240512 | <i>Low Country</i> : Bluffton (20K) | | |
| | 240523 | Hargray (55K) <i>Total Low Country (75K)</i> | | |
| | 240528 | Horry Telephone Co-op (94K) | | |
| | 240521 | <i>Rock Hill</i> : Fort Mill (22K) | | |
| | 240527 | Home (23K) | | |
| | 240531 | Lancaster (27K) | | |
| | 240542 | Rock Hill (55K) | | |
| | 240539 | PBT Telecom. (17K) <i>Total Rock Hill (144K)</i> | | |
| | 240506 | <i>Sprint</i> : UTC of the Carolinas (97K) | | |
| South Dakota | | | 29 | Qwest |
| Tennessee | 294336 | <i>Citizens</i> : Frontier TN (74K) | 17 | BellSouth |
| | 290580 | Volunteer State (22K) <i>Total Citizens (96K)</i> | | |
| | 290567 | <i>Sprint</i> : United Intermountain (247K) | | |
| | 290566 | <i>TDS</i> : Humphrey's (2K) | | |
| | 290575 | TN Tel (67K) | | |
| | 290578 | Tellico (10K) | | |
| | 290559 | Concord (24K) <i>Total TDS (103K)</i> | | |
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¹⁴ Current rural study area would become non-rural when combined with Verizon's non-rural study area.

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|------------|--|--|--|--------------------------------|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| Texas | 442147 442153 442114 442084 442072 442109 442097 441163 | <i>ALLTEL:</i> Sugar Land Tel (80K) TX (33K) <i>Total ALLTEL (113K)</i> <i>Sprint:</i> Centel of TX (220K) UTC of TX (164K) <i>Total Sprint (384K)</i> <i>TXU:</i> Fort Bend (44K) TXU (120K) <i>Total TXU (164K)</i> <i>Valor:</i> Kerrville (27K) TX (313K) <i>Total Valor (340K)</i> | 47 | SBC Verizon ¹⁵ |
| Utah | | | 12 | Qwset |
| Vermont | | | 9 | Verizon |
| Virginia | 190254 190567 | <i>Sprint:</i> Centel of VA (293K) United Intermountain (105K) <i>Total Sprint (398K)</i> | 16 | Verizon ¹⁶ |
| Washington | 522408 522410 522400 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> WA (182K) Cowiche (2K) <i>Total CenturyTel (184K)</i> <i>Sprint:</i> UTC of the NW (83K) | 18 | Qwest Verizon ¹⁷ |

¹⁵ Two study areas.

¹⁶ Current rural study area would become non-rural when combined with Verizon's two non-rural study area.

¹⁷ Two study areas.

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|---------------|--|--|--|--------------------|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| West Virginia | 200271 204338 204339 | <i>Citizens:</i> Frontier WV (26K) (37K) (94K) <i>Total Citizens</i> (157K) | 6 | Verizon |
| Wisconsin | 330841 330857 330877 330884 330895 330898 330913 330922 330924 330931 330934 330950 330959 330970 331155 330956 331159 330940 330891 330870 330941 330912 330964 330944 330967 | <i>CenturyTel:</i> MW-WI Cencom (29K) MW-WI Casco (1K) Fairwater (1K) Forestville (2K) WI (58K) Larsen (3K) Monroe (12K) MW WI-NW (86K) Kendall (87K) So WI (7K) MW-WI Platteville (10K) NW WI (20K) Thorp (2K) Wayside (7K) Tel USA of WI (58K) North WI (14) Central WI (68K) <i>Total CenturyTel</i> (465K) <i>Citizens:</i> Rhineland - Rib Lake (15K) Rhineland – Headwaters (6K) Rhineland – Crandon (4K) Rhineland – Rib Lake (1K) Mondovi (3K) WI (27K) St. Croix (10K) Viroqua (4K) <i>Total Citizens</i> (70K) | 44 | SBC Verizon |

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|-------------------|---|----------------------------|--|--------------------|
| | Study Area Code | Company | | |
| Wisconsin (con't) | 330844 | <i>TDS:</i> Badger (7K) | | |
| | 330851 | Bonduel (2K) | | |
| | 330849 | Black Earth (2K) | | |
| | 330859 | Central State (11K) | | |
| | 330909 | Midway (9K) | | |
| | 330914 | Eastcoast (7K) | | |
| | 330917 | Mt. Vernon (14K) | | |
| | 330945 | Scandinavia (3K) | | |
| | 330963 | Utelco (17K) | | |
| | 330968 | Waunakee (8K) | | |
| | 330930 | Grantland (4K) | | |
| | 330943 | Riverside (4K) | | |
| | 330952 | SE Tel (11K) | | |
| | 330954 | Stockbridge (4K) | | |
| | 330958 | Tenney (1K) | | |
| | 330856 | Burlington (4K) | | |
| | 330875 | Dickeyville (1K) | | |
| | 330880 | Farmers (7K) | | |
| | 330881 | Mid-Plains (36K) | | |
| | | <i>Total TDS (152K)</i> | | |
| Wyoming | | | 9 | Qwest |